

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE NEVADA JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW BOARD

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TO: Youth, Parents, FFA Advisors, 4-H Leaders and concerned parties,

At its July 25, 2005 Meeting the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board decided not to renew its contract with University of Nevada Cooperative Extension which provided administrative support to the Board. The Board is grateful for the support and abilities UNCE brought to the contract, but feels it must now seek other means to fulfill its statutory obligations to Nevada's youth. The current UNCE-NJLSB contract will expire on September 30, 2005. The Board will continue to work with UNCE employees to incorporate their varied skills and talents into providing exciting, educational programs to youth.

The Board will continue to operate as a State of Nevada Board affiliated with the Nevada Department of Agriculture. In the transition from Nevada 4-H Program Office centered operations to independent operation the Board asks for patience and support from staff of all agencies, parents and youth. Some important transition information:

- 1) Effective 9/30/2005 all NJLSB correspondence should be sent to: NJLSB; P.O. Box 8026; Reno, NV 89507. The Show Board will publicize its new contact phone number, fax number and email address as soon as possible (see below). After 9/30/2005, Andrew Munk will no longer be serving in a contracted Administrative Assistant role for the Board; as a result he would no longer be an appropriate UNCE contact for the Board after this date.
- 2) The Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board will use its website, http://agri.nv.gov/ADMIN_JrLivestock.htm, to relay updated NJLSB information. This will include Meeting Notices, Agenda, Minutes, updated contact information, Rules, etc. The Board will continue to follow all applicable Open Meeting Law requirements necessary for the legal operation of the Board.
- 3) The Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board is planning on holding an Educational Workshop in early 2006. Information on this event will be posted on the Board's website as it becomes available.

4) The Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board will organize and conduct the 2006 Nevada Junior Livestock Show & Sale (May 4-7, 2006). Information on this event will be posted on the Board's website as it becomes available. In preparation for this event, a meeting of the 2006-2007 NJLS Rules Committee has been scheduled (September 13, 2005; 5:30 PM; NV Department of Education; Conference Room; Carson City, NV) and pre-Show & Sale contacts are being made.

If you have questions about this transition or future operation of the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board, please contact Andrew Munk @ 775-784-6207 or NJLSB Member Judy Rumbaugh @ 775-843-9484.

Thank you.

Larry Landa

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